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| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA |) | |
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| v. |) | Criminal No. 03-CR-10362 (PBS) |
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| CHRISTOPHER SUGAR, |) | |
| SEAN D. STARK, |) | |
| TREVOR ROYCE TEAGUE, |) | |
| ANIBAL TORRES, |) | |
| a/k/a PACE; and |) | |
| FABIAN A. RUIZ, |) | |
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| Defendants. |) | |
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JOINT STATUS REPORT

In accordance with LR 116.5(A), the parties hereby jointly file the following status report in this matter.

1. Local Rule 116.3 Timing Requirements

At this time the parties are not seeking relief from the timing requirements imposed by L.R. 116.3.

2. Expert Discovery

The government anticipates that, unless there is a stipulation regarding the controlled substances involved in this case, it will offer expert testimony regarding the marijuana, as set forth in the indictment, which was seized from defendants Sugar and Stark on October 22, 2003 and then delivered to defendants Ruiz, Torres and Teague on October 24, 2003. The government will disclose any expert materials no later than 14 days before trial.

3. Additional Discovery

All Rule 16 and automatic discovery materials have been provided to defendants' counsel or made available for counsels' review to date.

4. Motion Date

The parties are jointly requesting that March 31, 2004 be set as the date for all motions to be filed.

5. Speedy Trial Act Calculations

The parties have conferred on the periods excludable from all Speedy Trial Act calculations and jointly submit that the following periods are excludable:

12/12/03-1/19/04 Automatic Discovery period/Interests of Justice.

1/20/04-1/21/04 Two days counted.

The parties are requesting that the time between the filing of this initial status report and the date of the Final Status Conference be excluded from all Speedy Trial Act calculations in the interests of justice to allow the parties to discuss the possibility of a resolution of this case without trial.

As of the Final Status Conference, 2 days will have been counted and 68 days will remain under the Speedy Trial Act.

6. Anticipated Trial

At this time, the defendants Sugar, Stark, Torres, and Ruiz cannot say yet whether a trial is anticipated. At this time,

defendant Teague is anticipating a trial.

7. Final Status Conference

The parties request that a Final Status Conference be scheduled for April 19, 2004, or as soon thereafter as is convenient for the Court.

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